Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 03 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 04 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 03 Feb 2021 at 04:04 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for cold and snowy conditions. Medium for snow amounts.

Headline for Wednesday 03 Feb 2021: Outbreaks of snow, mainly in south. Severe wind chill.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 03 Feb 2021

Blizzards Medium Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** Low Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow
Precipitation probability					
50%	60%	60%	40%	40%	60%

Forecast for Wednesday 03 Feb 2021

Weather: Cloudy and overcast through the Trossachs, Arrochar Alps and Glen Coe with outbreaks of snow, heavy and persistent at times. Gales or severe gales at height with drifting and blizzard conditions. However, the snow lighter and more patchy through Lochaber and Nevis Ranges with some drier spells.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Nil to 30%, extensive cloud below the summits. The best chance over Moidart and Mull.

Visibility: Moderate or poor, but often very poor at height with extensive cloud and whiteout conditions at times. However, often good lower down across the north and west of the area.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	56/69 E	53/66 E	48/62 E	43/57 E	43/56 E	43/56 E	39/52 E
900	47/60 E	45/60 E	41/55 E	37/51 E	35/49 E	35/47 E	33/47 E
600	54/64 E	56/68 E	46/58 E	45/57 E	40/51 E	36/48 E	35/45 E
300	31/46 E	31/49 E	27/45 E	26/44 E	22/38 E	19/33 E	18/32 E
Glen	17/32 NE	17/32 NE	17/32 NE	16/31 NE	14/29 NE	14/29 NE	14/29 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	-7/-21	-8/-22	-8/-21	-8/-21	-9/-21	-8/-21	-9/-21
900	-4/-15	-5/-16	-5/-16	-5/-16	-6/-16	-5/-16	-6/-16
600	-1/-12	-1/-12	-2/-12	-2/-11	-2/-12	-3/-12	-3/-12
300	1/-7	0/-8	1/-7	0/-7	-0/-7	-0/-7	-0/-7
Glen	3/-2	3/-3	3/-2	3/-2	2/-3	2/-3	2/-4
Freezing Level*	300m	100m	100m	100m	00m	00m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Significant winter hazards expected, particularly across more southern ranges.

Forecast for Thursday 04 Feb 2021
Weather: A similar type of day to Wednesday with cloudy, overcast conditions affecting the Trossachs and Arrochar Alps with outbreaks of snow, heavy and persistent at times. Gales at height with drifting and blizzard conditions. Severe wind chill. However, less snow and some drier conditions and higher cloud bases for Lochaber and the north.

Maximum wind: East or Northeast 30 to 40 gusting 60mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Nil to 30%, extensive cloud below the summits, whiteout conditions at times. The best chance again over Moidart and Mull.

Visibility: Moderate or poor, but often very poor at height. However, often good or very lower down across the north of the area.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 to Plus 1 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: All levels.

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